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St. Mary's Independent Methodist Church

Early History

Saint Mary's Independent Methodist Church formerly Saint Mary's AME Church was organized in Brooklet, Georgia on September 28, 1907, with David Moor as the Presiding Bishop, James Jackson as the Presiding Elder and J. S. Stripling as the Presiding Clerk, The Trustees in the organization of the Church included: J. E. Williams, H. Campbell, H. J. James, I.S. James, N. Jones and A.W. Jones.

In the early 1900's, Saint Mary operated a school for African American in Brooklet and is listed in the Duggan Report of African American Schools in Bulloch County in 1915.

The Families of Saint Mary's Church have included The Browns, The Scotts, The Smiths, The Jones, The Hendleys, The James, The Williams, The Christians, The Campbells, The Patterson, The Robertsons, The Shipmons, The Simmons, and The Monroes.

The current pastor is Rev. Victor Henry and the Church meets the first and third Sundays of each month.

Commemoration of 400 years of African American History
(1619-2019)

**"IF THESE CEMETERIES
COULD TALK"**

**St. Mary's Independent Methodist
Church Cemetery**

15802 US Hwy 80 East Brooklet, Georgia 30415

**Saturday, November 16, 2019
9:00 AM**



SPONSORED BY:

Willow Hill Heritage and Renaissance Center
4235 Willow Hill Road, Portal GA

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Greetings Dr. Alvin Jackson
Willow Hill Heritage & Renaissance Center

Invocation**Rev. John Thomas McPhatter**

Church History Dr. Alvin Jackson

Procession to the Cemetery

Remembrance of the Ancestors - Calling Their Names

Benediction**Rev. John Thomas McPhatter**

Thank You! TO THE WILLOW HILL CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Mr. Earl Donaldson
Mr. Regan Donaldson
Ms. Lokia Hillard
Dr. Alvin Jackson
Mrs. Valerie McCray

Mr. Khalil Maycock
Ms. Maria Olivas
Mr. Anthony Simmons
Mrs. Bertha Pryer
Mrs. Joyce Simmons

Mr. Eugene Lanes

FORMERLY ENSLAVED BURIALS

1. James Wells, Sr. (1865-1932)

SOLDIERS

1. James Brown (1918-1994) PVT US Army WWII
2. Clifford Smith (1928-) SP5 HO CO 40 ARMD Division
US Army
3. Gus Taylor (1937) PVT 1Ci LO3 Res Labor BN
4. Collie Tillman (1911-1965) PVT US Army WWI



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